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Sang Young Kim et al.

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Filed: November 2, 1999

For: METHOD FOR FILLING  
CONTACT HOLES WITH METAL BY  
TWO-STEP DEPOSITION

Examiner: Evan T. Pert

Art Unit: 2829

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following claims 1, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 23, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 36, 39, 41, 64, 65 and 66 for the pending claims of the same numbers. A clean copy of all pending claims are set forth below for the convenience of the Examiner. A marked up copy of the claims showing the most recent amendments is found at the end

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Dear Examiner Pert:

Attached is a copy of the Amendment that was filed May 17, 2002. However, as per your phone message of Friday, October 25, 2002, we have replaced the previously filed Appendix with an Appendix that is in proper form for issuance of the patent application. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me at (303) 571-4321.

  
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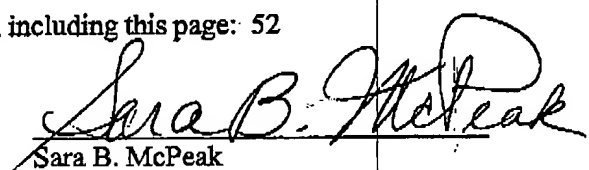
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Document(s) Attached

1. Amendment filed previously May 17, 2002 (Pages 1-27)
2. Replacement Appendix (pages 1-24)

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